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TODAY'S DOLLAR. — The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 1/5 6/16.



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SINO-JAPANESE NOTES TO THE LEAGUE.

Militaristic Policy in Manchuria.
ANTI-JAPANESE AGITATION.

Geneva, Yesterday. Notwithstanding the Council's resolution, Japan is not merely strengthening her positions in the regions already occupied, but is contemplating extension of military occupation in Manchuria, is the burden of a Chinese note lodged with the League Secretariat declaring that General Honjo has proclaimed the independence of the provinces of Mukden and Kirin, and has announced his intention of driving out troublesome elements from Manchuria.

A Japanese note, lodged simultaneously, gives details of bandit activities and complaints of anti-Japanese agitation by China, including a meeting of students and workmen in Shanghai, which resolved on demanding a declaration of war against Japan, intensification of boycott, and appealing to the Soviet for assistance.—Reuter.

SOLDIER SENT TO PRISON FOR THEFT.

Arthur Price, the private of the South Wales Borderers who was yesterday remanded at the Kowloon Magistracy on a charge of stealing property from the Y.M.C.A. and the unlawful pawing of an overcoat and dinner suit the property of Mr. T. A. Ellis, of the Y.M.C.A., was this morning convicted on both counts, and sentenced to three months hard labour on the first charge and a fine of \$100, or one month's imprisonment, on the second charge, the terms to run concurrently.

PRISON FOR RUSSIANS.

Two Russians, Klonetta Dmitriy Afanasevich and Vorobiev George Nikanor, were this morning sentenced to 14 days imprisonment at the Kowloon Magistracy, for travelling on Sunday last from Kowloon to Sheung Shui on the train without tickets. A charge of arriving in the Colony without a passport was dropped, but under the Vagrancy Act they will be sent to the House of Detention on completion of their prison sentence.

HUNGARIAN MORATORIUM.

Budapest, Yesterday. A partial moratorium of Hungarian public and private debts, with a few exceptions, is proclaimed in a special decree, which will be effective from to-morrow.—Reuter.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued this morning states:—

The anticyclone appears to be nearly stationary to the N.W. of Korea.

Forecast: N.E. winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day — nil. Total since January 1—70.98 inches against an average of 82.82 inches — deficit 2.84 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	59
Macao	59
Pratas Island	70
Manila	68
Foochow	58
Amoy	56
Chefoo	32
Shanghai	41

GERMAN DEBTS

BRITAIN & FRANCE AT LOGGER-HEADS.

TIME TO PAY
REPORT ANXIOUSLY AWAITED.

Basle, Yesterday. An intense battle, with Britain and France as leading antagonists, kept the committee of banking experts sitting almost all night long in an effort to reconcile divergent viewpoints and decide whether Germany's conditional or unconditional payments have priority.

It is understood that Sir Walter Layton favoured giving Germany complete respite up to four years.

Dissension, at one time, threatened to enforce a postponement until after Christmas, but progress is now being made with the report, which it is believed, will embody proposals with a view to giving Germany time to pay.

It is now probable that the Reparations Conference will be able to meet in the middle of January.—Reuter.

ALLEGED ARMED ROBBERY CASE.

Kak Hang Village Hold Up.

Chung King-man and Lei Fat were arraigned before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.) in the Criminal Sessions this morning, on charges of armed robbery by two or more.

The prisoners, who are defended by Mr. Hin-shing Lo (instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall, for first prisoner and by Mr. Horace Lo, for the second) pleaded Not Guilty.

The jury empanelled was composed of the following:—Messrs. N. L. H. Ralston (foreman), T. Ferguson, E. W. Ralston, S. T. Butlin, Kwan Sit-Kwan, Chun O Yung and E. J. J. Spradberry.

Mr. Somerset Piteroy, who appeared for the Crown, after explaining the law, described what took place at a house in Kak Hang Village. He said that on October 16, three men entered the house and one of them brandishing a revolver, put the inmates to fear. A witness would say that first prisoner tied up certain of the inmates. Two others joined the three intruders, who tied up all the inmates, and proceeded to steal things, some actually from the persons of the inmates. One of the victims would be called to say that first prisoner was one of the participants, and he would also say he recognised the second prisoner. On departing from the house, the robbers switched the lights off. A student, Kwok Chun, managed to free himself, and went to the Kowloon City Police Station where he reported the affair.

On October 18, the first prisoner was recognised in the street by the student, and was arrested. He took the Police to his premises, where, on unlocking a basket, to which prisoner had the key, two pieces of jade were found. These were later identified by one of the women robbed. Police investigations led to the arrest of the second prisoner, who was recognised by the student whilst being taken to the Police Station. On October 20 the two men were charged, and when asked if they had any statement to make, first prisoner said something to the effect that he did not know anything, and second prisoner that he had been implicated by a friend. Evidence was then called. The case is proceeding.

U.S. DISARMAMENT DELEGATION.

General Dawes to Lead.
WOMAN MEMBER.

Washington, Yesterday. General Dawes has been appointed head of the United States Delegation to the Disarmament Conference. It is understood that President Hoover intends to include a woman in the delegation, and has invited a "lady of quality and prominence" to accept the post.—Reuter's American Service.

MORE MOTOR SPEED RECORDS FOR BRITAIN

Captain Greyston's Achievements.

M G CAR'S SUCCESS.

Rugby, Yesterday. Four international motor speed records were set up to-day by Captain Greyston in British car, M.G. 750 C.C., on Montlhery track with the following speeds. Five kilometres 184.71 kilometres hourly.

Five miles 104.66 kilometres hourly.

Ten kilometres 104.62 kilometres hourly.

Ten miles 104.21 kilometres hourly.

The new success of the M.G. car is of interest in connection with the reported intention of the racing motorist, Lord Howe, to enter 3 of the M.G. Magna cars new twelve horse-power 6 cylinder models for the Italian Mille Miglia Race in April.

It is suggested the driving team would include Lord Howe himself, Sir Henry Birkin, and Captain Greyston. Lord Howe, it is understood, hopes to obtain the support of Sir William Morris. This will be the second occasion only that British cars have competed in the famous Italian Race.

A Baby Austin, last year, successfully completed the course.—British Wireless Service.

SALE OF A CHILD.

Mother Bound Over.

GO-BETWEEN FINED.

A case of selling a daughter was brought before Mr. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Yiu Yung was summoned for disposing of her daughter, and another woman Luk Ku with acting as a go-between. The mother admitted giving the child away for \$39. She was in very poor circumstances had five children, and a sick husband. Soon after the sale she applied for the child's return on the ground that a casual acquaintance had told her it was being ill-treated. The child, however, showed no signs of ill-treatment and seemed quite happy.

The mother of the child was bound over in a personal bond of \$50 for one year and the go-between was fined \$20 or three weeks hard labour.

BURMA ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Burma Round Table Conference to-day discussed the question of domicile and citizenship in relation to the franchise, and the Committee stage of the Conference was concluded. The Conference has adjourned until January 4.

Meantime, the Chairman, Lord Peel, will prepare his report for presentation to the Conference when it re-assembles.—British Wireless Service.

VATICAN LIBRARY

SUDDEN COLLAPSE OF A WING.

VALUABLE MSS

AMONG THE DEBRIS.

Vatican City, Yesterday. Three floors of the right wing of the famous Vatican Library, built by Pope Sixtus the Fifth in 1588, housing valuable works of art, suddenly collapsed this afternoon.

The Fire Brigade is frantically searching the debris in the fear that human may be entombed therein; though, luckily, the majority of the staff, also workmen engaged in restoration work, had departed just before the accident occurred.—Reuter.

Rescue Work.

Rugby, Yesterday. A Rome Press telegram reports that the entire right wing of the Vatican Library, built in 1588, crashed late this afternoon, following the collapse of the roof. Fortunately the greater part of the staff and a number of workmen engaged on repairs had left shortly before, and it is still uncertain whether there were any casualties. All the available fire brigades of the City of Rome were rushed to the assistance of the Vatican brigade, which was overwhelmed by its task.

Valuable MSS in Debris. The section of the building involved constitutes about a quarter of the whole library, and, it is estimated, about 10,000 volumes are buried among the debris. Some of these are of great value, and, included among other precious manuscripts, is a letter from Martin Luther in a reply to Pope Leo X's first warning on his heresies. It is hoped, however, that the majority will be recovered.—British Wireless Service.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

Livelier Tone This Morning.

ADVANCES REPORTED.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states:—

The market opened this morning with a livelier tone and a general demand for a number of stocks. Advances have been established in Trams, Hotels, Lands, Cements, Ropes and China Lights.

Sales.	
Cements (combined),	\$19.80.
Hotels (new),	\$14.25.
Realities,	\$11.70.
Buyers.	
Douglases,	\$25.
Wharves,	\$163.
Hotels (old),	\$16.30.
Hotels (new),	\$14.94.
Lands,	\$80.
Ewos, Tis,	\$15.40.
China Lights,	\$27.74.
Telephones (part paid),	\$28.94.
H.K. Ropes,	\$17.4.
Dairy Farms,	\$23.4.
Amusements,	\$19.50.
Raubs,	\$40.4.

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You are busy. Yet you want to be informed of the news of the day? Then, turn to the back page and glean the news. It's there conveniently summarised for you.

RUSHING 'XMAS MAILS HOME.

Tremendous Flights and Great Feats.

BY AIR SERVICES.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

London, Yesterday. Imperial Airways liners are making a tremendous five-thousand-mile dash to Croydon in order to deliver by Christmas morning mails from Central Africa and Egypt. The Calcutta flying-boats and the Armstrong Siddeley airliners on North African routes yesterday completed their stages in record times, and to-day the mails are being rushed across the Mediterranean in huge four-engined Kent flying-boats. It is hoped the mails will arrive at ten o'clock in the morning of Christmas Eve, whereas mails are ordinarily due on the afternoon of Christmas Day.

CHRISTMAS AT SANDRINGHAM.

Royal Family Party.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The King and Queen left King's Cross by train this afternoon on their way to Sandringham, where they will spend Christmas. They were accompanied by Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret Rose.

The Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, and Prince George will join the Royal Family Party before Christmas Day. If the weather is suitable, it is expected, the Princes will travel to Sandringham by air.—British Wireless Service.

COUGH SAVES "DEAD" NATIVE'S LIFE.

A cough has been the means of saving the life of a Uganda native. The native fell ill, and was believed to have died. After he had been wrapped in a shroud, the funeral was delayed for 24 hours.

Just as the body was on the point of being lowered into the grave, a cough came from within the shroud and on investigation it was discovered that the "dead man" still breathed. He was taken from the shroud and before long had completely regained his health.

APPEAL TO GERMANY.

Berlin, Dec. 15.

An appeal to the nation to sink its difference in the face of common danger will be made by President von Hindenburg on Christmas Eve, it was announced here to-day. The initiative for this departure from tradition is said to have come from the President, who is determined to throw his whole person's authority into the scales in favour of unity and goodwill.

So far, President von Hindenburg has never addressed the nation over the radio, though some of his speeches have been broadcast.—Transocean Kluonin.

Providents (old),	\$5.20.
Providents (new),	\$2.35.
Chinese Estates,	\$95.
Trams,	\$21.30.
H.K. Electrics,	\$77.4.
Cements (combined),	\$19.4.
Cements (old),	\$12.4.
Watsons,	\$16.
Constructions (old),	\$5.55.
Constructions (new),	\$1.90.

Sellers.

Banks,	\$1,500.
Cements (combined),	\$19.40.

TRADING FLEETS

PROPOSAL TO LIMIT SIZE.

FRENCH IDEA

ILE DE FRANCE AND GIANT CUNARD.

Paris, Yesterday.

Yet another international conference — to limit merchant fleets — was advocated to-day by M. Chappedelaine, Minister of the Mercantile Marine, during a debate in the Chamber on a Bill authorising the Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique to contract for a loan, not exceeding three hundred million francs, with a Government guarantee.

M. Chappedelaine alluded to the possibility of cessation of work on the new giant liner Ile de France. He said, if Cunard had abandoned their super ship, the French line would do the same, but he was awaiting the result of negotiations with the Cunard before taking action.

Government was defeated by 275 to 266 by the adoption of a motion to refer the Bill back to the Committee as a mark of disapproval of the way the Company had managed affairs.

Government, however, did not make the vote a matter of confidence, so the Bill will be re-introduced after amendment.—Reuter.

GLOBE CYCLIST ARRIVES.

By the s.s. Borneo, there arrived in Hong Kong last night an Indian gentleman, Mr. R. N. Biswas, who is engaged in an attempt to cycle round the world — as much of it as he can cycle over. He started on this tour from Singapore on July 7, 1931, he cycled through Malaya, Siam, Indo-China, and a part of China to Haiphong, from where he came on to Hong Kong by steamer. He expects to stay here for some time in order to recuperate, and will continue his tour through China, Manchuria and Korea, Japan, America, Europe, India and Burma back to Malaya. He has not set himself to a timetable.

In an interview with the China Mail, Mr. Biswas, who was until recently an usher in the Singapore Marine Court, told of the only unusual experience that has so far befallen him on his tour. It occurred in Siam, and miles from town or village. As dusk was falling he came upon a small house by the wayside, and decided to ask for a night's shelter. His knock was answered by two men, one of whom spoke English. He made known his request to which they acceded, but first called upon him to hand over his passport and any money he had. He complied. He made over a passport and purse containing a little more than five dollars. He was well treated, given plenty of food, and shown to a place where he could sleep. But sleep he slept little that night, for he was frankly nervous. There were mysterious comings and goings all night long. Later he realised that his hosts were recognised bandits. However, next morning, when he was preparing to go on his way, his passport was handed back, also purse intact, and one of his hosts made him a present of \$2. Generous, genial bandits!

LORRY PLUNGES INTO HARBOUR.

Early Morning Incident on Praya.

DRIVER SWIMS ASHORE.

Lau Hang will not readily forget the experience which befell him this morning. Indeed, he is lucky to survive to tell the tale.

Lau Hang is a motor-lorry driver, and early this morning was driving lorry No. 1194 along Connaught Road, going West to East. Of a sudden, he became faced with one of those problems — bug-bears of motorists of all classes — what to do when a pedestrian dashes across the roadway in front of a motor vehicle. In his case it happened to be a coolie carrying nightsoil buckets, who dashed across the roadway immediately in front of the lorry. Lau Hang did what appeared to him, at the moment, the only thing to do. In order to avoid running down the man, he violently swerved the lorry to his left. He avoided the man, but, in swerving, he swerved off the Praya Wall into the sea. He was for a few moments in imminent danger of losing his life, but managed successfully to free himself from the lorry and clamber ashore.

The incident caused some stir, even at half past five o'clock, and soon a crowd collected on the scene of the accident and willing hands helped the lorry driver to safety and out of an icy cold bath.

HOOVER MORATORIUM BILL

RATIFIED.

Washington, Yesterday. The Senate has rejected the amendment to the resolution ratifying the Hoover Moratorium Plan which asked for a revision of the Treaty of Versailles as a condition of a debt holiday.—Reuter's American Service.

The Senate has ratified the Hoover Moratorium Bill.—Reuter. Voting was sixty-nine for twelve against. Without discussion the Senate accepted the House of Representatives' provision banning revision or cancellation of war debts.—Reuter.

SHAMROCK V FINDS A PURCHASER.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith, founder of the Sopwith Aviation Company and well-known yachtsman, has bought the late Sir Thomas Lipton's "Shamrock V" built in 1930 as a challenger for the America Cup. He will race her next season in British waters.—British Wireless Service.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The China Press this morning reports the arrival of Chiang Kai-shek and his wife at Ningpo yesterday afternoon by air and says that they boarded a waiting motor-car and immediately proceeded to Fenghua.—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

ROSY PICTURE OF SOVIET RUSSIA.

Moscow, Yesterday.

Attended with due ceremony, the new session of the Central Executive Committee (Parliament) opened in the historic Kremlin at which a rosy picture of Soviet Russia was painted by various speakers with declarations that the Five Year Plan would be, paradoxically, completed in four years.—Reuter.

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Reviews from Official Sources.

"THE GIRL HABIT."

Pages from the life of Charlie Ruggles:

As a youth in his teens he left his father's wholesale drug establishment in Los Angeles, quit his preliminary chemical studies, and went to San Francisco, where he secured a small role in "The Admirable Crichton."

Followed his original success with a number of tours in stock throughout the state of California, playing principally "old men characters" for eight years before he was cast finally as a juvenile.

While playing for Morosco in Los Angeles, doubled in film work at Hollywood, supporting such stars as Lenore Ulrich, Elsie Janis and Cyril Maude.

First talkie appearances were in the New York-made "Gentlemen of the Press" for Paramount. Followed this with "The Lady Lies." After several more hits was raised to stardom by Paramount. His first starring picture is "The Girl Habit," now showing at the King's Theatre.

"THE TEXAN."

Totally different in many ways, yet bringing the same care-free, swaggering, outdoor freedom of "The Virginian" to the talking screen, "The Texan," Paramount's second great romance of the West, opens a three day showing at the Central Theatre, Gray Cooper, "The Virginian," is also "The Texan."

Filled with splendid outdoor scenes and action, the picture has a clean cut, appeal. Gary Cooper is a fast-riding, fast-shooting plainsman, whose true honesty is forced to the surface in a human and logical way. Fay Wray is the girl. She played opposite Cooper in "The First Kiss" and "Legion of the Condemned." Emma Dunn gives another wonderful mother portrayal, one of the best of those which have made her famous on stage and screen for nearly a quarter of a century. John Cromwell, who directed George Bancroft in "The Mighty" and William Powell in "Street of Chance," made this picture.

"SPORTING BLOOD."

Madge Evans, who plays the heroine in "Sporting Blood," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's drama of the turf, coming to-day to the Queen's Theatre, literally grew up in the movies. She started as a baby actress at the age of three in the old Fort Lee studios, supported Ethel Clayton, Holbrook Blinn, and others, then left the screen to go to school. She returned to play in "Son of India," followed by her present vehicle. She's only twenty now.

"GRUMPY."

Cyril Maude was born in England more than 68 years ago. He made his theatrical debut in Denver, Col., when as a youth he went to America to recuperate from an illness.

On his return to Britain he devoted himself to the stage, and has since become one of the great British favourites.

He spent 46 years of his life as actor, theatre-owner and producer.

He took "Grumpy" to the United States in 1913, making an immediate success with it in New York and later touring to crowded houses.

He has played the role of

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres:

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

6-8.30 p.m.—Chinese Children's Programme.

7-11.15 p.m.—European Programme.

7-10 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.

7.03-7.30 p.m.—Operatic.

Selections from Melstefele (Bollo arr. Creator).

Melstefele—Prologue (Bollo arr. Creator).

Gems from "Aida" (Verdi).

Victor Light Opera Company (35940).

Die Fledermaus—Overture (Strauss).

Victor Symphony Orchestra (35950).

8 p.m.—Local Time.

7.30-8.20 p.m.—Concert Items.

Song—Somewhere a Voice is Calling (Newton-Tate).

Mighty Lak a Rose (Stanton-Nevin).

Frances Alda (Soprano) (1189).

Violin Solo—Negro Spiritual Melody (Kreiser-Dvornik).

Song of the Volga Boatmen (arr. Kreiser).

Fritz Kreisler (1122).

Song—"Grumpy" on the stage 1,300 times in America, Australia and Britain?

He was in a Hollywood made silent picture, "Peer Gynt" in 1915?

He retired from active stage work about three years ago, but was persuaded by Paramount to revive "Grumpy" on the talking screen?

The talking screen version of "Grumpy" is his first appearance before the new medium of movie-making?

"Grumpy" is coming to the King's Theatre shortly.

"THE DAWN PATROL"

Eight airplanes were crashed in order to get thrilling air scenes for "The Dawn Patrol," the first National Vitaphone production starring Richard Barthelmess which comes to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday.

This story, concerning the dramatic and tragic situation confronting a group of "schoolboy" flyers in the Great War, is from the pen of John Monk Saunders.

At Dawning (Eberhart-Cadman). I Hear a Thrush at Eve (Eberhart-Cadman). John McCormack (Tenor) (742).

Piano Solo—Siccate—Caprice (Max Vogrich). Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 4 (Vlasto). Yolanda Mero (1165).

Song—Simonetta (White-Rumbold). The Little Danzoni (Weatherly-Novello). Luceria Mori (Soprano) (1162).

Violin Solo—Gavotte (Beethoven).

Menuet (Bach-Winteritz).

Fritz Kreisler (1130).

Song—Maria, Mari (Russo-di Capua).

Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) (1134).

8.20-8.38 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.

Eva Waltzes (Lehar arr. Schott).

Carmen Sylvia (Ivanovic).

International Novelty Orch. (35984).

Wedding Dance (Lincke).

Blue Danube (Strauss).

International Concert Orch. (35927).

8.38-9.20 p.m.—Trio No. 7 in B Flat Major (Beethoven Op. 9).

Played by Alfred Cortot (Pianist), Jacques Thibaud (Violinist) and Pablo Casals (Cellist) (M-92).

9.20-9.55 p.m.—Variety.

Orchestral—Any Corner is a Cozy Corner.

Nobody's Baby is Somebody's Baby Now.

Ted Weems & His Orchestra (22820).

Song—My Rough and Rowdy Ways.

Tuck Away My Lonesome Blues.

Jimmie Rodgers (22220).

Orchestral—You're My Everything.

Ooh That Kiss.

Victor Arden, Phil Ohman & Their Orchestra (22818).

Chorus—Happiness Boys Going Abroad.

Happiness Boys in London.

The Happiness Boys (22491).

Orchestral—It's the Darndest Thing.

Singin' the Blues.

The High Hatters (22809).

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Tsang Fook Piano Co.

9.55-10.30 p.m.—Concerto No. 1 in B Flat Minor (Tschaikevsky).

Played by Mark Hambourg with the Royal Albert Hall Orchestra. Conducted by Sir Landon Ronald.

1st Movement—Allegro non troppo.

2nd Movement—Andantino semplice.

3rd Movement—Allegro con fuoco.

This suite is kindly loaned by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.

Mr. J. John Henry Nightingale, a retired schoolmaster of Bexhill-on-Sea, residing at Colwyn Bay, collapsed and died while playing chess.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and King's Restaurant; Dinner Dances at Repulse Bay and Peninsula Hotels.

To-morrow—Carnival Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and Peninsula Hotels.

January 6—St. George's Society's Dance, Peninsula Hotel.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre: "The Girl Habit."

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Sporting Blood."

To-day—Central Theatre: "The Texan."

To-day—Majestic Theatre: "Girls Demand Excitement."

To-day—Star Theatre: "Trespasser."

Home Malls.

Friday—Inward from America (Empress of Japan); Outward for Europe via Marselles (Somali and Suwa Maru), 8.30 a.m. and noon, respectively.

Miscellaneous.

January 12-14—Royal Sanitary Institute (Hong Kong Centre) examinations in Sanitary Science, and for Sanitary Inspectors.

January 2—St. Stephen's College new school year begins.

POLAR CRUISE.

Moscow, Dec. 16.

Another Polar cruise with the Graf Zeppelin is recommended by the scientific advisory committee of the All-Russian Central Executive Committee in a report prepared for the latter's annual session which opened yesterday. The report deals extensively with the results of this year's journey, which was carried through with Soviet Russian assistance, and emphasises the need for another expedition to complete certain observations.—Transocean Kuomin.

DUTCH STRIKE.

Amsterdam, Dec. 16.

The entire Dutch textile industry was paralysed by a strike to-day. The strike which arises from a wage dispute involves 23 cotton mills with approximately 14,000 workers.—Transocean Kuomin.

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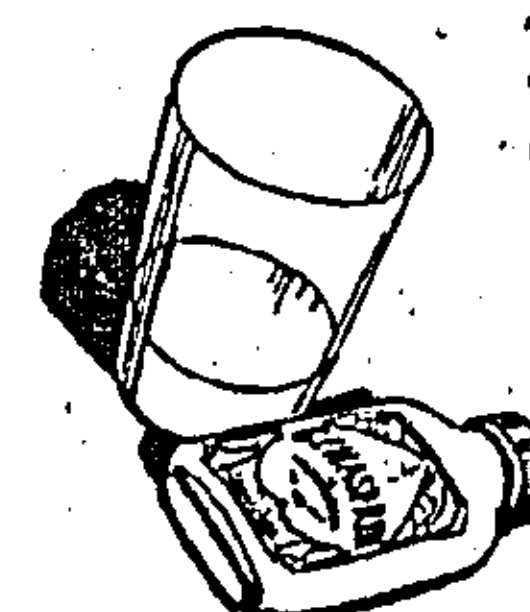
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ARMY WELL BEATEN
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Triangular Rugby
Tournament.

BRILLIANT NAVAL BACKS.

(By "Scrum Half.")

The third match in the Triangular Rugby Tournament at Sookunpoo yesterday witnessed a decisive Naval victory over a very moderate Army fifteen by four tries and a penalty goal (15 points) to a try (3 points).

Possessing much the heavier and better combined pack the Navy were undoubtedly the superior team and it was a surprise that they did not win by a greater margin. Their backs were much faster than their opposite numbers and their short passing tactics were executed with bewildering speed. The Army possessed three forwards of outstanding ability and a weak pair of halves, so that their three-quarters were not given the opportunities required. Altogether it was a very one-sided encounter and those who hoped for an Army victory must have been sadly disappointed.

Crick's Influence.

In the loose the Naval forwards were magnificently led by Crick and were largely responsible for the majority of play being confined to Army territory. Crick, Doggett and Pizey were outstanding in the loose. In the tight scrums the Navy secured possession nearly every time, a clean heel sending the three-quarters away at top speed. Hargrave, who was deputising for Francis at the base of the scrum, filled the position admirably. His understanding with Ryder was perfect and his defensive play a pleasure to watch. He was unfortunately hurt in the latter stages of the game when marking a punt forward in a dangerous-looking Army rush. It was, however, fortunate that it was nearing full time for Ryder did not look at all comfortable at the base of the scrum. Hargrave is an opportunist with little pretension at speed, but he possesses the all important factor—Rugby brain.

Ryder's Initiative.

Ryder gave another brilliant display and, though he did not score himself, he was instrumental in three of the Naval tries. He too is an opportunist with speed and initiative as his best assets. He made one glorious cut through in the second half from his own 25 line but with only the full back to beat he decided to pass and the opportunity went astray. His handling was extraordinarily good on occasion though he has a tendency to snatch at the ball which offers a serious handicap.

Fielding in the Centre.

Of the centre three-quarters I liked Fielding the best. He was safe in defence and a thrustful player in attack. He made one good effort in the first half which looked as if it could only culminate in a score but his pass was unfortunately too low for Thurston. The latter was not seen at his best though one pass he took from the scrum and which resulted in Lockley scoring was beautifully timed. Fabrey was the choice of the wings. What I like about his play is his cross kick when he finds the line blocked. Time and again the Army defence was rattled in this manner. He was speedy and very safe in defence. He saved a certain try when Syer broke through and he brought off a tackle three yards from the line. Lockley was not seen to advantage for the simple reason that the Naval attack, consisting of short passing between the backs, was apt to become too short and Fielding was on top of him very often with no room to pass.

Dunlop's Off Day.

Gosling was safe at full back and relieved his line several times with good touch kicks. His kicking on the whole, however, was not as convincing as it might have been. He failed to find touch on several occasions, though this may have been a ruse for Dunlop, his opposite number, was deplorably weak in his handling. Dunlop had an off day with a vengeance. He was most unsteady throughout.

The Dummy Bold.

The Army three-quarters received little support from their half backs and were therefore forced to forage for themselves with the consequent result that the Naval

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

RUGBY FOOTBALL—To-day—Club "A" v. H.M.S. Cumberland at Happy Valley at 4.45 p.m.

BOXING—To-day—H.K.B.A. Tournament at Theatre Royal at 8 p.m.

HUNTING—To-day—Fanning Hunt Hounds (Kennels) at 3.15 p.m.

Saturday—Fanning Hunt Meet (Anandale) at 2.45 p.m.

HOCKEY—To-day—Hong Kong Hockey Club v. H.K.S.R.A. on the U.S.R.C. ground at 5 p.m.; University v. St. Andrew's; Y.M.C.A. II v. Recreation II; Borderers v. Radio Sports.

GOLF—To-morrow to Sunday—R.H.K.G.C. Christmas Meeting. Sunday—Completion of First Round of Kowloon Golf Club Junior Championship.

FOOTBALL—Friday—Sunday Herald Cup—Scotland v. England on Club ground.

Sunday—Sunday Herald Cup—Walters v. Portgall on Club ground; Chinese League—Chinese Athletic "B" v. Yee Woo; South China "A" v. South China "B"; Chinese "A" v. Sung Ching.

back sold the dummy time and again. The Army backs failed badly in going for the man with the ball, their hopes of an intercepted pass never materialising.

Keith Murray was too closely watched to show his fine turn of speed and the result was that the Army backs were rarely in the picture.

Prior's Excellent Showing.

The half backs were definitely outplayed on account of the inability of the forwards to get the ball back. Stevens was caught napping several times by a Naval "blind side" movement, but he played a plucky game in defence. Of the forwards Prior, Grayham and Pratt were outstanding. Prior was especially brilliant in the loose and was perhaps the best forward on the field. He was always on the ball and had he received the necessary support from the remaining seven the Army would have offered sterner opposition.

Feet Up.

Feet up in the Army scrum was very prominent throughout the game and on one occasion cost them three points. The Naval front row also infringed the new law but were fortunate to have the Army trio doing the same thing on those occasions.

The Play.

A breakaway by Pizey saw the ball transferred to Fabrey who sent across what looked suspiciously like a forward pass to Hubback who touched down in the corner to open the scoring. The try was not converted. A penalty for feet up just outside the Army 25 was allowed to go a-begging, but shortly afterwards a lightning-like three-quarter movement saw Fielding go over near the posts for the second unconverted try. It was a good effort and deserving of the points. The sides crossed over with the Navy leading by 6 points to nil.

Shortly after the commencement of the second half feet up in front of the Army posts gave Hargrave the opportunity to place the Navy further in the lead. Splendid handling by Thurston saw Lockley go over in the far corner for the third unconverted try. The Army were seldom on the offensive and shortly afterwards a "blind side" movement resulted in Ryder sending Fabrey over for the Navy's last score. Just on time a forward rush saw Stevenson kick forward and Keith Murray was only just in time to effect the touch down before the ball went over the dead line.

Army 15 points

Navy 3 points

Royal Navy—Lt. Gosling (Suffolk); Sub. Lt. Lockley (Suffolk); Surg. Lt. Fielding (Suffolk); Mid. Thurston (Cumberland); O.A. Fabrey (Medway); Lt. Ryder (Medway); Sub. Lt. Hargrave (Cornwall); Lt. Comdr. Crick (Marazion) (captain); Surg. Lt. Brownan (Cumberland); Lt. Linton (Medway); A.B. Deykin (Suffolk); E.R.A. Doggett (Hermes); Lt. Tubbback (Hermes); Lt. Watson (Bruce); and Lt. Pizey (Medway).

The Army—Lt. Dunlop (Arden); Pte. Lewis (Borderers); Lt. Syer (3/9th Jats); Lt. Stevenson (Arden); Lt. Keith Murray (Arden); Pte. Stevens (Borderers); Pte. Hoskins (Borderers); Lt. Peto (R.A.) (captain); Lt. Stevens (3/9th Jats); Lt. Crewes (Borderers); Lt. Graham (Arden); Cpl. Suter (Borderers); L/Cpl. Pratt (Borderers); L/Cpl. Hardy (Borderers); and Pte. Lloyd (Borderers).

Referee: Mr. H. G. N. Tinson.

SIG. WILLIAMS BEATS
R. E. ELEVEN.

Century and Seven
Cheap Wickets.

SMALL UNITS FINAL.

At Sookunpoo yesterday the Royal Corps of Signals defeated the Royal Engineers by 22 runs in the final of the Small Units Cricket League.

The features of the match were the batting of Williams, who scored 115 out of a total of 166; the batting of Whitfield, who carried his bat through the R.E. innings for 60 runs; and the bowling of Williams, who captured seven wickets for 28 runs.

Scores:—

Royal Signals.			
Sig. Gillott, b Anstruther	9		
Sgt. Colley, run out	0		
Sig. Williams, c Buckle, b Skinner	115		
Lt. Ewbank, c Grosvenor, b Anstruther	10		
Cpl. Saunders, b Meehan	12		
Sig. Yates, b Jordan	0		
Sig. Chaffey, b Jordan	15		
L/Cpl. Higgins, b Jordan	4		
Sig. Hardy, run out	3		
Sig. Michael, not out	2		
Extras	6		

Total (for 9 wkts, dec.) 166

Sig. Collins did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Anstruther	10	2	40	2
Jordan	18	2	64	3
Meehan	10	1	38	1
Holmes	1	0	18	0
Skinner	1	0	0	1

Royal Engineers.

Cpl. Meehan, b Williams	11
Spr. Whitfield, not out	60
Col. Skinner, c Chaffey, b Saunders	44
Lt. Anstruther, b Williams	14
Spr. Holmes, b Williams	0
Lt. Col. Marsden, b Michael	24
Sgt. Savill, b Williams	2
Capt. Mitchell, b Williams	0
L/Cpl. Jordan, c Gillott, b Michael	1
L/Cpl. Grosvenor, b Williams	12
Sgt. Buckle, c Saunders, b Williams	0
Extras	16

Total 144

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
*Williams	18.5	4	28	7
Saunders	8	0	43	1
Ewbank	5	0	29	0
Michael	7	2	28	2

* Bowled six no-balls.

BASTIN'S FOOTBALL
RECORD.

All Honours Now
Obtained.

Clifford Bastin, the Arsenal outside left, has, at the age of 19 won almost every honour the game can bestow on him. His extraordinary career was crowned by the announcement that he had been chosen to play for England against Wales. He has now won a League championship medal, a Cup Final medal, an inter-League cap (against Scotland) and a full international cap in two years. There has been no parallel to this in modern football.

NEW ZEALANDERS IN
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New Zealand's share of the gate receipts from last season's cricket tour of England amounted to £8,000.

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TO-NIGHT'S BOXING.

For the principal bout on to-night's boxing programme we learn that "Stinnie" Morris reigned in to-day at 147 lb. and A. B. Warras at 145 lb.

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TAKING UP CRICKET.

GOLFER'S AMUSING EXPERIENCE.

Eustace Percy Battalday was a nice city clerk; not one of the few nasty ones. He would have preferred to have been a country clerk. Better had he been a county clerk, or even a weather prophet of that ilk, so far as remuneration is concerned. The essential point is that he, being a city clerk longed for green country sward, and transference from the oblivion of his office status to reasonable prominence in outdoor sport. He wanted exercise.

Perched at his high desk, and soliloquizing on his auspicious name of Battalday, a flash of inspiration prompted him to take up cricket. It is true the heavy volumes of figures which encumbered his desk, and lay heavy on his chest, had, while prompted him to adopt the turf and win the "St. Leger," but here, at last, was an over-powering inspiration—a Battalday, a cricketer—what, indeed, more appropriate! It was a winter inspiration, so Eustace had several months in which to select a "club" and a bat and anticipate a cricketing future of great performances. Memories of W. G. Grace, of Chapman, of Hearn, and recent epics of modern cricket stars, should pale to treble anemur when Eustace Percy wielded the willow.

The Clifquers. The cricket season had arrived, and so had the Clifquers' cricket team; the latter at Kennstruther. It was the opening fixture and all Kennstruther turned out to speculate, even to the last canine mongrel claiming the appellation dog.

The Clifquers' team was the team Eustace had joined. One need not detail the wheels within wheels of the Clifquers; suffice it to say that where it was not a case of one member being at least a fifteenth cousin seventy-five times removed from another, there was an unfortunate interdependence in matters of "business."

All was tiptoe excitement when, from the pocket of the Clifquers' captain, came a typed sheet—the order of batting. Excluding ten names, and substituting for these relationships, and interests, the following was the order:—1, Cousin; 2, Brother; 3, Nephew; 4, Uncle; 5, Cousin; 6, Merchant; 7, Grocer; 8, Outfitter; 9, Caterer; 10, Motor-hirer; 11, Eustace Percy Battalday.

The bowling list was also set out, but the name of Battalday did not appear on it.

Prior to the match there was a short time for net practice. Eustace's form was superb, both as to drives and cuts and glides. Here, thought the local cognoscenti, must be their "first wicket" man. But alas!

The Clifquers' team, with the exception of Eustace, had all been in and played atrociously. Eustace strode from pavilion to wicket. The next ball, however, was to the other player. It took his middle stump, so poor Eustace had to regain the pavilion without having received one ball. Eustace had no chance of distinguishing himself "in the field." Placed at long slip, not one ball came his way.

His Second Chance. It was a week later; the second match of the season. Eustace was put in last but one. Unfortunately his partner "ran himself out," and the last man in was caught at allis off his second ball, so again Eustace did not wield his bat—nor did he get any opportunity in the field.

It was a week later—the third match. Eustace again in last. His captain, an individual of mighty brain for logic, argued that as Eustace's record was two innings and no runs the said Eustace should expect no more. Unfortunately rain postponed play so long that, after seven Clifquers had batted, their captain declared the innings, to let his opponents in. Thus Eustace did not bat.

It was the fourth match. Eustace was put in sixth. Here was a chance, but a cruel mischance spoiled it. The other batsman yelled, "Come on!" Eustace ran, but was shouted back with a vociferous "No." Alas, too late, through no fault of his own Eustace was "run out" before striking a ball.

It was the fifth match. Eustace put in last, was asked to be prepared to bat fifth, if the captain's cousin did not turn up. Unfortunately so many catches were missed by the opposing team that four Clifquers sufficed to play out time, so Eustace did not bat. The captain told Eustace menacingly that unless he "scored better" he would be left out of the team!

It was the sixth and a "home" night. Eustace particularly desired to shine. The rain came down in torrents. The captain of the Clifquers, who lost the toss, saw that whichever of his men went in first would have a bad time if play commenced. He had set himself down to play first, and Eustace last. He invited Eustace to play first if the rain stopped. It didn't, so nobody batted.

In the seventh match, and entirely due to a sodden pitch, combined with the other player's bad call, Eustace was again "run out"—not striking a ball.

The eighth match was played on an atrocious wicket. Eustace went in ninth. His first ball rose, badly splitting his eyebrow; necessitating a "first wicket" man. But alas!

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CLOUDS OF STEAM! OVER SCRUMS.

Springboks Play First International.

SEA OF MUD.

Further details of the international Rugby match between the South African tourists and Wales are contained in a Reuter message, which states:—

At Swansea, South Africa defeated Wales in the first international Rugby match by 8 points to 3. So fast was the pace that clouds of steam hovered over the scrums, and the match was stopped many times owing to mud getting into the players' eyes. Before the match 40,000 fervent Welshmen sang patriotic songs.

The South Africans surprised the critics by their victory which was won in a sea of mud. They overcame handicap conditions and were losing 0-3 at the interval by an unconverted try scored by Davies, but in the second half Dancel scored an unconverted try. Later on Bergh scored a try which the South African captain, Oster, converted.

SOUTH AFRICANS' DECISION.

No Colour Bar to Be Imposed.

An announcement was made by the manager of the South Africans (Mr. J. H. Tandy) recently that the question of drawing the colour line (particularly with reference to playing against Eddie Gilbert, the Queensland aboriginal) had been considered by the tourists, and they had expressed the opinion that they were not concerned with the composition of any of the teams they would meet during their tour of Australia. They would not object to playing against any coloured man.

CARDIFF CITY'S FALL FROM GRACE.

Steady Decline Provides Serious Problem.

CUP-HOLDERS IN 1927.

It is tragic to glance back a few short years to 1927, when Cardiff City beat the Arsenal in the Final of the Cup. Part of their trouble has been a constant changing about of the team. Last season 32 men figured in the side, at one time or another. Only one club used as many players, and that was Thames. Compare this with Portsmouth's 17 throughout the season.

Even now the City should be cutting a dash in the Third Division, yet they are half way down the table.

They have a great goalkeeper in the Irish captain, Farquharson, a fine back in Smith, the old Middlebrough and Ayr United players, who was in the Scottish side against England in 1924; Galbraith in the middle line, and at least six forwards—Robbins, Harris, McCambridge, McGrath, McNally, and Emmerson—who are above average Third Division standard. What is the trouble?

MISS ENGLAND II NOT TO BE SCRAPPED.

Lord Wakefield Biding His Time.

Lord Wakefield, builder and owner of the world's record-breaking speed-boat, Miss England II, denies emphatically that he intends to scrap her.

As to her future, Lord Wakefield states that a decision to enter her for the British International Trophy rests with him alone, and that an announcement will be made in due course.

FULL DETAILS OF INDIAN TOUR.

K. S. Duleepsinhji on the Selection Committee.

SAIL ON APRIL 22.

Allahabad, November 24.

Details are now available of the annual meeting of the Cricket Control Board at New Delhi, held this week-end.

The Board promises that the current year will be just as busy as the one that has passed and a very full programme is announced as well. With reference to the fact that "Duleep" will neither be able to captain nor play for India, it is understood that the Board have decided to cable to Lord's cancelling their request that he should be specially exempted from Test match qualification rules. It is encouraging to note that Duleep has agreed to act as a co-opted member of the Selection Committee for next year's tour.

Alec Leslie of Calcutta has resigned from the Selection Committee and C. P. Johnstone has been invited to fill the vacancy. It is hoped he will be a good acquisition with his extensive knowledge of Madras and Bengal Cricket. Ghanashyam Sinha is selector in charge of Western and Central India and Ashanul Haq, the old Middlesex player, of Northern India and Sind. It is considered that, with the help of Duleepsinhji, who will be present during the trials, all available material will receive a thorough testing.

Two trials are to be held at Lahore and two at Patiala between January 24 and February 10 but the dates have to be confirmed as also whether it will be better to hold the final trials at Lahore or Patiala subsequently.

It has now been arranged that the team will sail by s.s. Strathnaver on April 2 and proceed to London overland via Marseilles, thus, providing an extra week for acclimatisation, practice and coaching.

SPORTS NEWS IN BRIEF.

The University first and second cricket eleven are playing all day matches against the Indian Recreation Club on Saturday, both games commencing at 10.30 a.m.

1st XI at Pokfulam:—A. T. Nomanbhoy, D. J. N. Anderson, F. R. Zimmermann, L. T. Ride, A. T. Lee, H. Nomanbhoy, E. L. Gosano, A. M. Rodriguez, W. K. Chon, P. M. N. da Silva and A. Bakar.

2nd XI at Sookunpoo:—P. L. Tan, K. P. Gan, G. E. Yeoh, G. B. Scully, A. A. Aziz, D. K. Samy, C. E. R. Clarabut, R. E. G. Leong, D. Roy, B. K. Ng, and M. M. Yayahbhoy. Reserves: D. Hunt, S. Tata.

In a friendly Hockey match against the St. Andrew's Club on the University ground to-day at 5 p.m. the following have been chosen to represent the University:—

R. E. G. Leong, A. Rodriguez, A. Bato, E. Gosano, K. M. Ho, R. T. Loke, P. M. N. da Silva, A. A. Aziz, S. Reed, and P. C. Tan. Reserves: E. L. Foo, and C. T. Tan.

The following will represent the Radio Sports Club in their hockey match against the South Wales Borderers on the Marina Ground, Kowloon, at 4.30 this afternoon:—A. Spary; P. Singh, Joginder Singh; Surlin Singh, Atma Singh, M. Singh; M. Hanib, A. E. Guest, Garbachan Singh, Harbhajan Singh, and F. A. Kemp. Reserves: Karnal Singh, and Jaggeet Singh.

The following have been selected to play for the Hong Kong Cricket Club against the Army on Boxing Day, commencing at 10.30 a.m.:—

H. Owen Hughes (Captain), A. C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker, E. R. Duckitt, R. H. Griffiths, O. E. C. Marton, D. McLellan, E. J. A. Mitchell, A. Reid, J. E. Richardson, and G. R. Sayer.

The following will represent the Club "A" in their Rugby match against H.M.S. Cumberland at Happy Valley to-day at 4.45 p.m.:—

Y. Segalen; F. Harris Walker, E. R. Aller, S. J. H. Fox, A. M. Torrible; G. A. L. Plummer, I. H. M. McCredy; R. Cherill, F. A. Merry, W. N. Andrews, F. G. Nigel, M. N. Cochran, A. R. Cox, J. S. Lee, and L. B. Smith.

Ing at Lord's as also an opportunity of accepting the invitation of the Football Association to attend the Cup Final at Wembley.

Bombay and Calcutta are unable to offer any financial help but other affiliated organisations have provisionally agreed to raise the following sums:—Sind Rs. 5,000, Northern India Rs. 6,000, Southern Punjab Rs. 10,000, Western India States Rs. 6,000, Central India States and Central Provinces Rs. 2,500, Madras Rs. 6,000.

It is understood that the captain of the Indian team to England will be selected in January.

The following team will represent England against Scotland in the Sunday Herald Cup match on Christmas Day:—

Fogwell (Club); Martin (Kowloon); Strango (Club); Hodley (Kowloon); Shirras (Navy); Blis (Kowloon); Robertson (Navy); Moss (Police); Howe (Club); Rawson (Navy); and Skinner (Navy).

F. O. Dobb will have charge of the game, and the linesmen will be R. P. O. Billing and R. P. O. Darlington.

The following have been selected to represent "The Rest" against the Services on New Year's Day on the Hong Kong Club ground at 8.30 p.m. sharp:—

Rodger; Martin; Strango; Hodley; Skinner (captain); Blis; B. Gosano; A. V. Gosano; Howe; Segalen; and Pile. Reserves: Rocha, Williams, Channing, and Shepherd.

The following have been selected to represent a Probable Inter-club Football XI, against a selected team on Wednesday, January 18, at 4 p.m.:—

Rodger; Martin; Strango; Hay; McKelvie; Blis; B. Gosano; A. V. Gosano; Howe; Rawson; and Duncan (Borderers). Reserves: Segalen, Fogwell, and Malone (Borderers).

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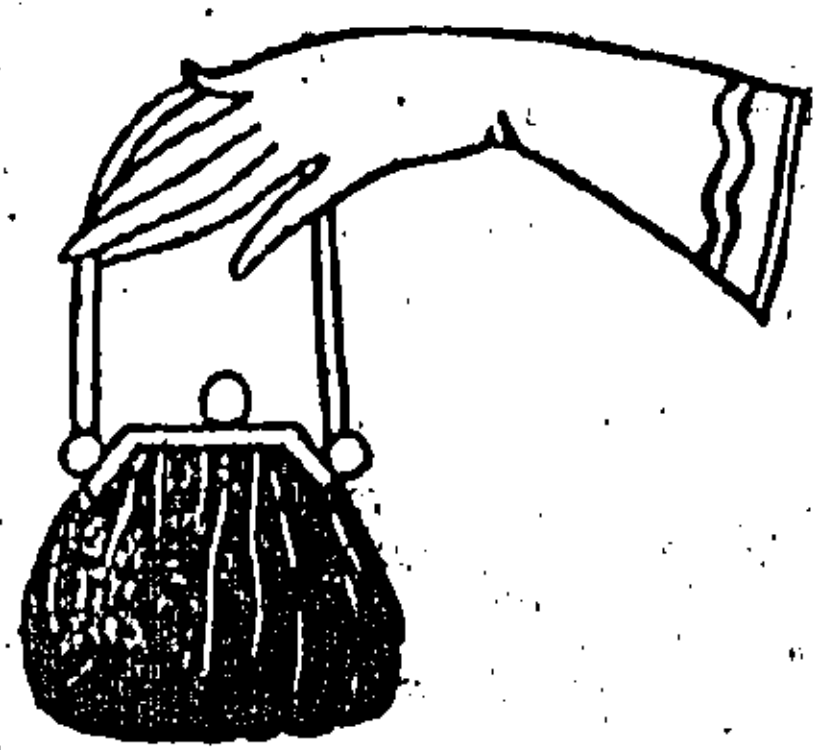
It was the last match of the season. Eustace was actually asked to bat first. The captain put himself in low down. He was aware that the first bowlers of the opposing side were deadly when fresh, but fell to pieces when tired. Eustace faced up ready; the first delivery was a "wide," the second was a "no ball," the third a "wide," all due to a slippery ball. The next five balls were untouchable wide "shooters."

That Insect. Just before the next "over" attacking Eustace's wicket an insect started to bite the Umpire's neck, inside his collar. Exasperated beyond endurance, his attention for one fatal second, was distracted from the objective wicket. "How's that?" yelled the bowler. "Out!" sez the Umpire, assuming a "caught at the wicket attitude," the appeal really being for a LBW—the event, in truth, being neither the one nor the other!

It has only to be added that shortly afterwards the following newspaper advertisement appeared:—"Gentlemen will exchange practical unused cricket bat, ball, and pads for set of golf clubs in equally good condition."

No deal of this kind was done since no golfer wanted to part with his club. Eustace bought a new set and gets the exercise cricket denied him.

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, Dec. 23, 1931.

War on Malaria.

So long as mosquitoes are prevalent in the urban areas of the Colony so long will the need for protection stimulate residents to keep pressing for a continuance of concrete action. On this topic the editorial pen is waxing almost stale and stilted, with scarcely an original thought to add to the multitude of words already written. But mosquitoes thrive and breed; malarial fever shows little abatement; and life is made miserable for all affected. True it is that we cannot expect malarialists to wave a fairy wand and banish mosquitoes and malarial fever in the twinkling of an eye. When we last commented on their work we suggested that, to ensure public co-operation and confidence, an official statement might be made periodically. That hint has been ignored. It has been left for a member of the Sanitary Board to ask the President to "be kind enough" to obtain from the Government the necessary information as to what there is any evidence that such anti-malarial measures as have been taken within the present year have resulted in any appreciable diminution of this disease as compared with previous years. The President has been "kind enough" to comply with this modest request. The Government has been "kind enough" to supply the necessary information. And there the subject will remain for another six, nine, or twelve months until the same (or another) member of the Sanitary Board is "kind enough" to ask the President to "be kind enough" humbly to beseech the Government to be "kind enough" to supply some more information. Meanwhile, it may be anticipated that the toll from malaria will continue at the rate of ten per week and that residents will continue to be pestered by the plague of mosquitoes even in urban areas. In suggesting more stringent and thorough anti-malarial measures in urban

areas we are not criticising in any degree the surveys and field work being carried out in the outlying districts such as Lyee-mun, Stanley, and Tai-po. Public health in these areas is as important as within town limits. It is conceded that prosecutions have been initiated against owners of property and contractors for permitting the breeding of mosquitoes. Likewise it is conceded that much of the work being done by the Sanitary Board as well as by the Medical Department as a whole is necessarily unobtrusive and silent. But the mosquitoes are as numerous as ever and the risk of malarial fever remains as great as ever, sapping the vitality of its victims and lowering the standard of public health. We may be as tired of writing on this topic as our readers are of reading this column—but not a thousandth part so tired as we are of the mosquitoes!

From Other Pens.

A Human Parcel.

The history of transport is full of problems of living creatures. Whether the railway porter's ruling that "cats is dogs and parrots is dogs but your tortoise is a insect" still stands I do not know. The last living parcel is a human one. The matter arises from the rule that the air service which takes mails down the length of Africa does not take passengers. The particular passenger had a need to reach Rhodesia, so he posted himself by air mail at 7d. the first half-dunce and expense thereafter. Whether he is registered I cannot tell, nor whether he is sealed. What obligations lie upon the carriers of mails to see that he is in transit provided with reasonable opportunities for remaining alive I cannot tell. There was once a case about delivering a dog, said not to be the right dog, which went from court to court. What happens if the wrong man comes out at the other end in Rhodesia? H.C.B. in the Daily Telegraph.

Popular Science.

There is something rather pleasing about the news that a Californian professor of geology has come back from a field expedition with fossils of starfish 200,000,000 years old. It sounds a bit more homely than dinosaurs' eggs or brontosaurus and perhaps supplies a reassuring touch in the face of those rigid and calculated pronouncements from eminent physiologists to the effect that the Universe is irrevocably running

down. After all, if there were starfish 200,000,000 years ago and there are starfish now it can't be running down very fast. Thank goodness for something that stays put and isn't dissolving into something different under our very eyes. And there is a moral about it somewhere—think of all those unlovely lizards and sabre-toothed tigers and mammoths marked down for disposal by Mother Nature as last season's models, while the same old starfish has outlasted the lot of them and still decorates the seaweedy fringes of our receded tides even as it did in the days when it might have been trodden on by a pterodactyl instead of being picked up and put into a small tin bucket along with five shrimps, two baby crabs, the tin flag from a clockwork boat, and the discarded integument of a deceased sea-urchin. Oh, yes—there is a moral somewhere, if anyone likes to work it out.—Manchester Guardian.

Those Clippers.

What is the record day's run for a sailingship? Several correspondents have queried my claim for Thermopylae, with her 330 knots, and point to Lightning, with, as one writer puts it, "her almost incredible run of 431 knots."

Frankly, I think incredible is the word. But, as Mr. Boyd Cable pointed out long ago in writing of the speed of those old clippers, there is great difficulty in deciding what is meant by "fastest"; he quotes Lightning as having sailed 436 sea miles in 24 hours, taking 13 days 19 hours from Boston to Liverpool, though James Baines, without any day's run so astonishing did the same voyage in 12 days 6 hours.

I stick to it that Thermopylae was the fastest ship that ever sailed. For her record passage of London to Melbourne in 60 days has never been beaten—and is never likely to be.—Evening Standard.

News in Brief.

For bringing an unregistered mui-tai into the Colony, and ill-treating her Chau Wai-lam was today fined \$40 and \$25.

Mackintosh, Ltd., have issued their customary little desk calendar with the dates for three months conveniently shown at a glance.

Two Chinese coolies, employed by the Kowloon Godown Co., were admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday afternoon suffering from burns received while unloading drums of acid from the s.s. Groteken.

The General Chamber of Commerce and the Exchange Banks have written to the Government suggesting that, as New Year's Day falls on a Friday, the Saturday following should be declared a general holiday, as it is already in Shanghai.

A verdict of not guilty was returned by the jury after a retirement of half an hour, at the Criminal Sessions yesterday afternoon in the case in which Sit Shek was charged with having indecently assaulted a two-year-old Chinese girl.

"The Next Door House," a Christmas play, was produced at St. John's Cathedral hall yesterday evening, and was witnessed by a large gathering. Two further performances will be given to-day, one at 5.30 p.m. for which tickets were issued, and another at 7 p.m. For the second performance all seats will be free.

Kwan Kow, a seaman on the Yau-mai Ferry Man Ying, reported to the Police that yesterday evening, while the ferry was crossing from Hong Kong to Kowloon, an unknown Chinese man jumped overboard from the lower deck about midway across the harbour. The ferry was stopped and a search made, but with no result.

Personal Par.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Joseph Salazar, of 17 Water Street, second floor, West Point, and Ines Chis, of 19, Second Street second floor, West Point.

FEWER IDLE BRITONS.

Rugby, Yesterday. According to Ministry of Labour figures, issued to-night, the number of registered unemployed at December 14 was nearly 65,000 less than the week before. The total is, at present, 2,572,602.—British Wireless Service.

PUREE DE POIS

By

BESOMORO.

ONE OF THE GREAT

AMENITIES OF LIFE.

A new popular advertisement in New York eulogises chewing gum as an excellent solace in life, but Dr. Logan Clendening puts his faith in whisky. Speaking with the authority of a professorship in medicine at Kansas University, Dr. Clendening offers an enthusiastic panegyric in support of whisky drinking. He would like to see a good 10d. drink of whisky on the market. (What we'd like to see in Hong Kong also.)

With the declaration that he was speaking strictly as a medical man, Dr. Clendening said:

"Whisky stimulates the flow of the gastric juices; it takes the edge off mental worries; it is a panacea which, if used in moderation, the human race cannot well get on without. It is far more efficacious than wine or beer. Legalise whisky, make it easy to obtain, and you will have a temperate, civilised nation. Whisky is one of the amenities of life, like grand opera or literature." (Hear! Hear!)

While emphasising moderation, the famous American doctor does not mind pushing his argument in favour of whisky even further. "Every intelligent man knows," he remarked, "that an occasional 'loop' does no one any harm. For certain people it is essential. I would point out what every man knows, that life is often infinitely enriched by the soft glow that steals over one after a drink of whisky, and that many of the finest things of life have happened under its influence."

So they have! And may they happen again and again!

TRIPPING ON THE STAIRS.

Tripping on the stairs is the

cause of the greatest number of accidental deaths in the home, according to a survey by an insurance company. These accidental deaths in the home amount each year to almost double the fatalities caused by occupational and industrial hazards combined.

YOUR HAIR TO MATCH.

That platinum blonde effect may now be obtained with a coat of paint. And the paint is much safer than powerful bleaching agents that may injure the hair permanently, an expert told a beauty culture convention at Kansas City. If platinum hair would make a harmonious ensemble with a shimmering evening gown, he said, the hair may now be "painted" a delicate platinum and the colour removed the following day.

HOLDING A HIGH NOTE FOR 3 MINUTES.

When Miss Evelyn Hagara, a contralto, of Los Angeles, announced that she was able to hold a top C for three minutes, she was challenged immediately by Miss Arleen Clark, soprano, who claims that she held the note for three and a half minutes. The result is that an endurance contest has been arranged to decide the claims of the singers. Miss Clark will sing from New York by wireless and Miss Hagara from Los Angeles. A committee of prominent musicians will listen to decide the winner. The average grand opera singer can hold the note for no longer than 35 seconds. Miss Hagara is said to have formerly had shortness of breath. She claims that she took seven years to master the art of holding the note for three minutes.

LOCAL UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATES.

First Annual Dinner a Success.

The newly formed University Graduates' Association held its first annual dinner in the Chinese Merchants' Club, China Building, last night, under the Chairmanship of Mr. H. Hong Sling, Vice-Chairman.

The gathering numbered over 100, including many lady friends of members. Sir William Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University, who was referred to as the father of the Association, made a strong appeal for support for the newly formed body, saying that the existence of the Association was absolutely essential to the University, as every school and college had its Old Boys' Association. It was inconceivable that the University should not do the same. He also urged graduates in various parts of China, Malaya, or in whatever part of the world they were, to form themselves into a group and become affiliated to the parent body.

After dinner the gathering indulged in dancing to music supplied by Charlie Chan's Dance Orchestra.

NATIVITY PAGEANT.

A Carol service and Nativity Pageant was given in St. Andrew's Church last evening, and was enjoyed by a large congregation. The pageant was well portrayed both in singing and costumes. The following participated—Mary (Austra Miller, Joseph (John Miller), Three Kings (Tony Sanh, Jack Mackay, MacBrown) and the three shepherds (Joan Laurence, Marjorie Spence, and Myra Robinson). The pageant, which was carried out on similar lines as last year, depicted a scene from the Coventry Mystery Play.

Mr. J. W. Baldwin sang "Nazareth" as a solo, and he was also the soloist in the rendering of "There were Shepherds" by the full choir, with Mr. Rupert Baldwin, A.T.C.L., at the piano. After the three Kings had presented their gifts to the Holy Babe, the children presented gifts on behalf of the Victoria Home and Orphanage, for which institution a retiring collection was also made.

Several carols were sung by the congregation.

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

Two Imported Cases of Fever.

48 TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended December 19 is as follows:—

Cases Deaths	
Typhoid fever	2
Diphtheria	3
Cerebro-spinal fever	1
Tuberculosis	48
One case of typhoid and one of cerebro-spinal fever were imported.	
Summary to December 19.	
The returns from January 1 to December 19 give the following figures:—	

Cases Deaths	
Typhoid fever	208
Small-pox	14
Scarlet fever	3
Diphtheria	144
Cerebro-spinal fever	21
Puerperal fever	19
Tuberculosis	2,812
Twenty-one of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were three scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, two cerebro-spinal fever cases, and 89 diphtheria cases.	

To-day's Thought.

Sometimes a chance thought strikes us a harder blow than a hammer.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of December 23, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/6 3/4.

Several Hong Kong firms have already had their staffs vaccinated and very shortly the Government will be offering special facilities to members of the public to come along and be inoculated against small-pox.

Peak residents are to be attended to first. A vaccination depot will be opened next week in the Government bungalows opposite the Peak School and vaccinations will be done there free. Other stations will be opened in Victoria and in Kowloon. Dr. Woodman will be in charge of the campaign and Mr. Tso will help him by persuading the Chinese to come forward and be vaccinated. Both did valuable work in the 1917 epidemic, and their experience will prove useful.

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BOY SCOUTS' ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION. President's Review.

At the annual meeting of the Boy Scouts Association (Hong Kong Branch) held in the Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, yesterday afternoon, over which H. E. the Governor, (Sir William Peel) presided, an urgent appeal for more Scouters was made by both the President (the Hon. D. H. Kotewall) and His Excellency.

There was a large gathering of those interested in the movement. The report for 1931, which has already been published in these columns, was presented by the Commissioner and Deputy Camp Chief (the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave) who dealt with certain portions of the report. The statement of accounts was presented by the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau (Hon. Treasurer) and adopted.

On the proposition of Mr. C. Champkin (Deputy Commissioner) the following were elected to serve on the Council for the ensuing year:—

The Commissioner and his Assistants, the district and assistant district commissioners, President—The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Vice-President—Mr. E. C. Cock, Treasurer—The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Hon. Vice-Presidents—The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Mr. John Owen-Hughes and Mr. C. E. H. Beavis.

Co-opted Members of the Council—A. C. Arculli (representing I.R.C.), Dr. Chau Wai-cheung (representing Chinese Medical Association), the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, R. M. Dyer, Sir W. W. Hornell, H. H. Sir Joseph Kemp, T. H. King, A. J. Lane, Li Jow-son, M. K. Lo, C. M. Maniers, G. P. de Martin, Ng Sze-kwong (representing C.R.C.), Commander J. Nevill, R.N. (Representatives of the S.C.A.A., C.A.A. and Tung Wah Hospital Committee), Dr. Chau Wai-cheung (Committee), Lieut.-Col. T. A. Robertson, C. A. da Roza, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Mrs. W. T. Southern (Commissioner of Girl Guides), M. P. Talati, Tang Shiu-kin, the Hon. Dr. S. W. T'ao, the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Victoria, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Valtoria, Commander A. H. Walker, R.N., Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. Justice Wood, and B. Wylie.

Executive Committee of the Council—The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, T. H. King, M. K. Lo, Commander Nevill, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, The Hon. Mr. Shenton, Tang Shiu-kin, Commander Walker, Wong Kwong-tin, and B. Wylie.

His Excellency then presented warrants to be following Scouters: Messrs. S. A. Sweet (District Commissioner for Kowloon), Scoutmasters Wong Tseshing, Sau Fung-ching, Fred Kwok, Pun Lai-chuen and Calmaster Miss S. Dalziel.

President's Address.
The Hon. Dr. Kotewall said:—Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen.—In his report for the year under review, the Commissioner, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, has said that while there has been a halt in other directions, and a retrograde movement in at least one case. My own observations have convinced me that the advance has been greater than the retrogression, because there has been a marked improvement in the efficiency of the Troops. After all, what we should aim at, and are actually aiming at, is quality rather than quantity, though of course the larger the number of boys joining the movement, the more beneficial it would be to the community by reason of the training which Boy Scouting affords to its youth in order to fit them for good citizenship. The trouble, as has been pointed out, lies in the lack of men to serve as Scouters. At our last annual meeting, a strong appeal was made by His Excellency the Chief Scout and by myself for people to come forward as officers; but the response has been, I am sorry to say, disappointing. It is this lack of trained officers that has arrested the progress of the movement in this Colony. I now venture to make yet another appeal to those who can spare the time to come forward to act as Scoutmasters or Rover Leaders. Surely, the movement with its splendid objects and ideals, is worthy of some sacrifice from young men who have time to spare;

and there must be plenty of such young men in our midst.

Saiwan Camp.
Last year, when we were before you, I said that we were burdened with a debt of \$16,000, the result of the purchase of the site at Saiwan for our training camp; and that the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau and Mr. Tang Shiu-kin had undertaken to raise \$6,000 for the reduction of this debt. As the Commissioner has announced in his report, Mr. Chau and Mr. Tang have more than fulfilled their promise by raising the splendid sum of \$7,000. (Applause). I am sure that you will all like to associate yourselves with the Commissioner in his expression of grateful thanks to these two gentlemen for their valuable help, especially for their generous personal donations of \$1,000 each.

There is yet another \$7,000 to be paid off, and I echo the Commissioner's hope that before long we may call Saiwan Camp really our own. This can only be made possible by the generosity of those who believe in, and sympathize with, the work which the Association is doing. More and more the Camp is proving its usefulness, not only to the boys but also to those who give them training.

Scouts' Magazine.
In the Commissioner's report mention has been made of the difficulties encountered in the issue of the Silver Wolf, the local Scout magazine. You will be glad to hear that I have received a letter from Mr. Jas. T. Dobbie, editor of the China Mail, offering to assist in every way he could in connection with the Silver Wolf as well as in the compilation of leaflets to which the Commissioner has also made reference. We are very grateful to Mr. Dobbie for this offer which we will lose no time in submitting to the new Executive Committee for consideration. (Applause). I must mention the help which Mr. B. Wylie had rendered to us in connection with the Silver Wolf until the temporary suspension of its publication. (Applause); and I am confident that this help will be forthcoming as freely in the future as it has been in the past. It is very encouraging to see that such busy men as Mr. Wylie and Mr. Dobbie have come forward to give us so much of their valuable time—a public-spirited act which should serve as an incentive to others to assist the movement in work for which they consider themselves best suited.

Mention having already been made by the Commissioner in his report of the large number of helpers who have rendered us special services, I will content myself with cordially endorsing his words, and expressing to them the warmest thanks of the Association.

Tribute To Commissioner.
I must, however, not omit to say how much we all are indebted to our hard-working Commissioner, (Applause), whose experience, keenness and energy have made the local movement the success it is to-day. During the greater part of the year, Mr. Waldegrave, in addition to his already onerous duties as Commissioner, discharged the duties of Honorary Secretary. We are still in want of an Honorary Secretary so as to relieve Mr. Waldegrave of this additional burden. It is to be sincerely hoped that this announcement may catch the eye of someone who will be ready to make the necessary sacrifice to help us out of what is to us a real difficulty.

The Association is very fortunate in having, as the Commissioner's assistants, a band of workers who give a good deal of their spare time to the movement, with the sole thought of serving its interests. The public may not know much of the work that is being done by these men, for big parades and such demonstrations play but little part in Scout training or routine. The Commissioner has always held before his officers and the boys the ideal of the knight-errant, the pioneer, the backwoodsman and the explorer—essentially lone workers who toil for the good of their fellow-creatures. It is, however, the intention of the Executive Committee to hold an exhibition of this work in which the boys are trained, so that the public may have some idea of what the Scout Association is.

(Continued in next column)

WOMAN MURDERED IN TAXI.

Millionaire Charged and Sentenced.

"HARD TO KILL ONESELF."

Jean Houyet, a young millionaire bachelor, has been sentenced at the Seine Assizes to 12 years' penal servitude and 20 years' banishment from the district on the charge of having murdered his mistress, Paulette Robida.

The tragedy occurred in a taxi cab following the woman's refusal to resume their interrupted intimacy.

The prisoner's own story was that he shot Paulette in a fit of wild jealousy and that the jolting of the taxi prevented him from taking his own life. "You have no idea how hard it is to shoot oneself," he explained confidentially to the judge.

A barman at Chantilly testified that Houyet, who was always drunk, was constantly threatening him with a revolver and had expressed his determination to kill an Englishman.

CAT, THE CAUSE OF DIVORCE!

On the grounds that the food she prepared for him killed the family cat, Samuel Sherman sought exemption from supporting his wife.

"Judge," said Sherman, "she prepared a meal for me but the cat ate it by mistake and passed out."

Vehement denial was entered by Mrs. Sherman and the court granted an allowance of \$5 a week for the support of an eight-year-old child.

doing.

The Chief Scout.
Our work would not have been carried on with such keenness and efficiency, had we not always received the wise guidance and sympathetic support of His Excellency the Chief Scout, who has once more shown his practical interest in the Association by sparing the time to come and preside at this meeting. (Applause). I beg to propose a hearty vote of thanks to His Excellency. (Applause).

Sir William Hornell, in seconding said he would like to associate himself with the remarks of the Hon. Dr. Kotewall in connection with the guidance and sympathy shown to the Scout movement by His Excellency, the Chief Scout.

His Excellency in addressing the meeting, thanked Dr. Kotewall and Sir William Hornell at the "bouquets" thrown at him, and added that he thought when he came to the meeting it would be an ordinary business meeting. It was very difficult for him to add much to what had already been said. He congratulated the Commissioner on the excellent and full report which he had written and which covered a tremendous ground; and it was just another indication of the Commissioner's energy and keenness which undoubtedly was at the back of the Boy Scout movement in Hong Kong.

Governor Renews Appeal.
His Excellency congratulated the Committee and the members of the Council on the success achieved during the year. He was sorry that his appeal a year ago had not achieved more result.

There was no doubt that more workers were wanted for the Scout movement. It was not easy to induce people to come forward, and those who do are probably the same few who are hard workers in connection with various movements. He repeated his appeal of last year for more assistants for the boy scouts movement.

The Chief Scout dealt with the necessity of training youth for citizenship and referred to the excellent idea of visiting neighbouring places and agreed with the Commissioner that these exchange visits would lead to nothing but good.

"I should also like," as Chief Scout, said His Excellency, "to add my thanks to those generous donors of funds for the upkeep of the Association. So far as general expenditure goes, it is being met along quite well. But we do want this year money for the Saiwan Camp and those who have come forward to help us have set a good example and have cleared half the amount outstanding and with like generosity we should be able to clear the whole of it."

His Excellency concluded by thanking those who attended the meeting.

PLOT AGAINST THE FASCIST.

Interesting Revelations Expected.

Rome, Dec. 15.

The curtain was lifted by the Press this morning on a far-flung conspiracy against the Fascist State, unearthed by the authorities some weeks ago, but hitherto shrouded in deepest secrecy. The disclosures were made in connection with the announcement that the conspirators will be arraigned next week before the Special Court for the Protection of the Fascist State, on which occasion, according to Lavore Fascists, interesting revelation regarding the activities of anti-Fascist circles in Paris may be expected.

From the meagre details vouchsafed to the Press so far it appears that the first arrest in this affair was made as far back as October 13. On that date, it is reported, Italian detectives arrested at Ventimiglia, the Franco-Italian border station, a painter who was according to his passport declaration returning to Rome from Paris where he had studied for two years. The name of this painter is not given, but it is stated that a thorough search of his baggage revealed a large quantity of anti-Fascist leaflets, in addition to high explosives. The painter then said to have confessed that both the leaflets and the explosives were given to him by anti-Fascists in Paris, with definite instructions for committing certain acts of terrorism.

Acting on the information of the arrested man, the Police then arrested successively twenty-one other conspirators, partly within Italy and partly as they tried to cross the borderline into Italy. On the latter, it is stated, large quantities of explosives were invariably found, and it is hinted that one of these conspirators, who was arrested on November 15, had come to Italy with the intention of assassinating Il Duce.—Transocean Kuomin.

VEILED THREAT.

France and the Saar District.

Paris, Dec. 15.
A veiled threat that in the event of the advent of a National Socialist dictatorship in Germany France would retain the Saar District, now nominally under the administration of the League, was made this morning by Figaro, in an article dealing with the Saar question. The journal declares that if Germany should collapse in the near future, and if that collapse should pave the way for Herr Hitler, France would, as a matter of course, march into the Saar District which is already practically under French domination pending the plebiscite in 1932 to settle its fate.

"It is a good thing," the article states bluntly, "that at this juncture France has its hand on so valuable a prize as the Saar District with its 800,000 inhabitants, its vast coal deposits, its railways and other valuable assets which should not be underestimated." — Transocean Kuomin.

FLOOD REFUGEES.

Number of Deaths Increasing.

Hankow, Dec. 17.

The number of deaths among the flood refugees now being cared for in Wu-Han is increasing daily due to the bitterly cold weather. Last week a gale from the north blew down several matchsticks, thus aggravating their plight, and these unfortunate, who relied on the authorities for finding interesting difficulty in assisting the refugees during the winter season.

According to official figures Hukshan, in the Wu-Han suburbs, is now the temporary home of 102,000 refugees, the largest concentration camp in this district. Mr. Hsiung Hsi-ling, veteran philanthropist, arrived at Hankow yesterday, and left in the evening with Mr. Chu Ching-ling, Director of Field Operations of the National Flood Relief Commission for Changsha, where he will assist the latter in surveying conditions in Hunan.—Kuo Min.

DEVELOPMENTS IN JAPAN.

Views of a Moscow Paper.

"WORSEN THE CRISIS."

Moscow, Dec. 15.
An intensification of capitalism and imperialism and all their implication was foreshadowed by ten semi-official Ivestia in commenting on the change of government in Japan. The advent of a Seiyukai Cabinet, the journal asserts, does not signify any material changes in the relations between the classes. "Both the Minseitō and the Seiyukai are capitalist parties, the only difference between them being that the latter are more closely connected with heavy industry and the landed capital."

With these assertions as its premise, the journal then proceeds to forecast developments in Japan which, it is declared, will now embark upon a period of even greater activity and aggressiveness than hitherto, both in Manchuria and throughout China and the Far East. Simultaneously, it is anticipated, the Japanese Government will adopt a policy of inflation, coupled with a subsidisation of industry, by which methods Japanese capitalism expects to arrest the catastrophic development of the crisis and to add to its riches. Exports, it is declared, will be expanded by all means, which will result in a further lowering of the already extremely low standard of living of the Japanese working class. "All this, however," Ivestia concludes, "must needs tend to worsen the crisis and fan the revolutionary discontent of the masses." — Transocean Kuomin.

AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

Ralph's Shield Competition Results.

Part II. of the Ralph's Shield competition was continued at King's College on Sunday last by Colonel C. D. Wyles, O.B.E., R.A.M.C., and his staff officers, Major Flood, M.C., and Major Anderson, M.C.

The competition consisted of a general inspection of men, and equipment and the treatment of cases.

The tests were chosen by the inspecting officers and were of a character demanding an intimate knowledge of First Aid.

In awarding the results the following were adjudged the best:—1st—Y.M.C.A. (Hong Kong). 2nd—King's College Old Boys. 3rd—King's College Present Boys.

4th—Mongkok.
In all Seven Divisions competed. The Indian and St. Joseph's College and the Kowloon Divisions did not compete.

Dr. Valentine, Mr. T. K. Chak, and the Assistant Commissioner were the Brigade Staff Officers who were present.

In notifying the decision of the Judges, Colonel Myles emphasised the importance of First Aid work, commented favourably on the general efficiency of the different divisions, and urged the men to continue with the work, observing that although many divisions had entered there could be but one first.

Referring to the world-wide organisation of St. John Ambulance Brigade it was remarked that during the Great War Field Hospitals were often run by men of this organisation alone.

BANDITING ON YANGTSE.

Nanking, Dec. 17.

In view of the revival of banditry in the upper reaches of the Yangtze especially near Paichow, west of Hankow, the gunboat Shansheng has been ordered by the Military of the Navy to proceed upriver to assist the military units in its suppression.—Kuo Min.

YUGO-SLAV GIANT DEAD.

The heaviest man in Yugo-Slavia is dead. A month ago, he weighed 433 lb. (35 st 3 lb.) and even after his final illness he had lost only 15 lb. Nearly seven feet high, Ljuba Lelovitch, an iron-keeper by profession, was a real colossus. His coffin which weighed eight men was carried into the church on straining shoulders, was as large as a tomb.

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1	1/2 Acre	13,200	2,000	\$4,000
2	1/2 Acre	13,200	2,000	\$4,000
3	1/2 Acre	13,200	2,000	\$4,000
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Sunday, December 20.
 Albert Sarraz, French str., 1,131 tons, Captain A. Hebert, from Saigon, buoy No. B11.—M. M. & Co.
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 Concordia, Norwegian str., 3,413 tons, Capt. Krogh, from Taran, North Point.—A.P.C.
 Glengarry, British str., 5,843 tons, Capt. J. Angier, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—J. M. & Co.
 Honkow Maru, Japanese str., 4,104 tons, Capt. M. Higaki, from Sakito, buoy No. A9.—N.Y.K.
 Kasugisan Maru, Japanese str., 1,425 tons, Captain R. Okada, from Milke, Yaumati Anchorage.—M.B.K.
 Shinnoh Maru, Japanese str., 3,582 tons, Captain T. Yoshiki, from Sakito, buoy No. A3.—O.S.K.

Monday, December 21.
 Agapenor, British str., 4,798 tons, Capt. J. T. Jones, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.
 Canton, French str., 976 tons, Capt. F. Morvan, from Haiphong, buoy No. B18.—M. M. & Co.
 Groolekerk, Dutch str., 5,150 tons, Capt. Plos, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—J.C.J.L.
 President Wilson, American str., 8,319 tons, Capt. M. Ridley, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar Line.
 Sandviken, Norwegian str., 1,775 tons, Capt. A. Norvalds, from Canton, buoy No. B1.—J. M. & Co.
 Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons, Capt. R. Fairley, from Canton, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.
 Tai Lee, Chinese str., 1,044 tons, Capt. S. Kato, from Canton, buoy No. B17.—Loong Tai Hong.
 Tchekam, Chinese str., 806 tons, Capt. Lai Yee, from Pakhoi, buoy No. B9.—Wo On & Co.

CLEARANCES.

Monday, December 21.
 Anhui, for Amoy.
 Chaksang, for Canton.
 Chenan, for Canton.
 Hankow Maru, for Singapore.
 Hydrangea, for Swatow.
 Lushan Maru, for Haiphong.
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 Phasiandella, for Fochow.
 Pleasantville, for Los Angeles.
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 Shinnoh Maru, for Singapore.
 Sunning, for Swatow.
 Tai Lee, for Chaofo.
 Tascallusa, for Haiphong.
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HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E. 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

Date	High Water	Low Water	Standard Ht.	Standard Ht.
	Times.	Times.		
Dec. 23	09 30	4 30	02 40	1 17
Wed. 23	20 10	7 5	13 10	8 6
Thurs. 24	10 17	4 4	08 20	12
	20 40	7 9	18 47	3 6
Fri. 25	11 03	4 5	04 00	0 7
	21 16	8 3	14 21	3 7
Sat. 26	11 46	4 6	04 43	0 5
	21 59	8 3	14 58	3 8
Sun. 27	12 29	4 6	05 28	0 4
	22 33	8 4	15 35	3 9
Mon. 28	13 10	4 6	06 11	0 4
	23 15	8 1	16 15	4 0
Tues. 29	13 50	4 6	17 00	4 0

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:
 Bruce—South wall.
 Cornwall—No. 6 buoy.
 Cumberland—No. 8 buoy.
 Herald—East wall.
 Hermes—No. 1 buoy.
 Kent—North arm.
 Marazion—South wall.
 Medway and Sub.—No. 2 buoy.
 Olympus—East wall.
 Orpheus—In dock.
 Oswald—In dock.
 Perseus—East wall.
 Phoenix—In dock.
 Seawey—East wall.
 Serapis—North wall.
 Sirdar—North wall.
 Sterling—North wall.
 Suffolk—West wall.
 Foreign Man-of-War.
 Argus—French Gunboat.
 Gil Eanes—Portuguese transport.
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QUEER DISPUTE.

Clerical Testator and
His Heirs.

SEQUEL TO AMNESTY.

Kovno, Dec. 16.
A unique controversy between a
testator and his heirs over the
former's estate is agitating legal
quarters here. The testator is
the former dignitary of the Catho-
lic Church, Dr. Olshauskas, who
was expelled from the church last
year on receiving a life sentence
for the murder of his mistress
who had persistently blackmailed
him. Simultaneously, Dr. Ol-
shauskas lost all his civil rights,
including that of making a new
will, and thus his last will was
executed and the considerable for-
tune of the ex-prelate went to his
heirs.

Now Dr. Olshauskas has been
released from prison, benefitting
from the amnesty proclaimed by
President Smolton in celebration
of his recent re-election to office.
But though now a free man, the
one-time dignitary is also a poor
man, since restoration of his civil
rights is impossible under
Lithuanian law, and his heirs con-
tinue in possession of his estate,
refusing even to support him.
Now the amnestied man has ad-
dressed a petition to the Govern-
ment describing his plight and de-
manding a change in the statutes
to fit his case and to enable him
to regain control over his estate.
—Transocean Kuomin.

WOMAN EXECUTED.

First Time in Turkish
History.

Stamboul, Dec. 15.
For the first time in Turkish
history the death penalty was
executed upon a woman this morn-
ing. Hitherto the authorities have
always shrunk from inflicting
capital punishment upon the weak-
er sex and had invariably commuted
all death sentences. In the
present case, however, the murder
of a woman by a woman had been
conceived and executed with so
much premeditation and in so
gruesome and brutal a manner,
that it was felt that the murder-
ess should pay the full penalty.

And thus Fatma Hanum, who
had slaughtered the wife of the
man she had fallen in love with,
this morning was hanged by the
neck until she was dead in the
presence of thousands of specta-
tors who had flocked from all parts
of the city to witness the spec-
tacle. Fatma faced her fate
coolly and insisted upon mounting
the gallows without assistance.
After a brief prayer she then ad-
justed the rope to her neck and,
finally, shouted to the hangman to
let go the drop. She died within
a few seconds. —Transocean Ku-
min.

LOAN WANTED?

King Alexander in
Paris.

Paris, Dec. 16.
King Alexander of Yugo-Slavia
and the Queen arrived here to-day
for a fortnight's visit. Though
the royal couple is travelling in
strictest incognito, while the Press
is emphasizing the private charac-
ter of the visit, there appears to
be little doubt that political issues
will be discussed between the
King and Premier Laval during the
former's stay here. The repa-
rations and disarmament issues are
mentioned as likely topics.

Furthermore, it is rumoured
that the visit was also for a finan-
cial purpose and that King Alexan-
der will try to secure a loan of
2,000,000,000 for his country.
—Transocean Kuomin.

A PARIS BLAZE.

Paris, Dec. 15.
An entire block of buildings
was laid waste this morning by a
conflagration in the Paris suburb
of Aubervilliers. The fire was
caused by a short circuit and
spread quickly before the fire
brigades arrived. Within a few
hours the capital's entire fire
fighting apparatus had to be
mobilized to combat the fierce
blaze which caused enormous dam-
age. Amongst the buildings gut-
ted by the conflagration is a large
department store in which the fire
originated. —Transocean Kuomin.

SYRIAN THRONE.

New Candidate in the
Field.

FRENCH APPROVAL.

Jerusalem, Dec. 15.
A new candidate has appeared
for the throne of Syria, whose early
inclusion in the lists of semi-
independent kingdoms appears to
have been practically agreed upon
by all parties concerned, including
France, the mandatory power. The
new candidate is Abbas Hilmi,
former Khedive of Egypt who was
 ousted by the British authorities
during the war on account of his
alleged sympathies for the Central
Powers. The ex-Khedive is said
to have the support of France,
Egypt and Turkey and is believed
to be soliciting American and British
consent for his enthronement.
Great Britain, however, is said to
favour King Faisal of the Iraw as
King of Syria which would then be
connected with the Iraw by per-
sonal union. Abbas Hilmi is re-
ported to be trying to overcome this
opposition by promising large con-
cessions to British interests in
Syria.

No definite steps, however, will
probably be taken until the results
of the Syrian elections on December
20 are known. —Transocean Kuomin.

HITLER'S PARTY.

Squadron of Light
Planes.

Berlin, Dec. 15.
Reports that the National So-
cialist party was forming a
squadron of light aeroplanes,
manned with National Socialist
pilots, were vehemently denied by
the National Socialist Voelkische
Beobachter this morning.

The reports which had caused a
sensation here last night and stated
that Herr Hitler had instructed
his headquarters to register all
party members owning a sporting
machine and that the censor had re-
vealed that the party could rely on
twenty-five such machines in any
emergency. Furthermore it was
stated that the authorities were al-
ready considering the matter, that
they were aware of the existence
of the planes, but that they could
not revoke the licences of the pilots
who had complied with all legal
requirements. For this reason,
it was stated, the Govern-
ment contemplated a change in
the regulations governing the
issue of pilots' licences by mak-
ing the issue subject not only to
physical but also to political con-
siderations and affiliations. —Trans-
ocean Kuomin.

RUBBER ON BRITISH RAILWAY CARS.

(Continued from Page 2)

The use of rubber flooring is on
the increase principally in the de-
luxe main line trains. Solid or
sponge rubber is usually employed,
although in some cases a sponge
rubber underlay is used below an
ordinary carpet. These special
trains in their equipment can be
considered as indicating the direc-
tion in which companies feel they
can best cater for the greater com-
fort and satisfaction of passengers.
It would appear logical that any
substantial reduction in the cost of
such rubber equipment will lead to
its early adoption for passenger
cars generally. It is claimed by
users that in addition to increased
comfort, the installation of rubber
flooring has demonstrated greater
cleanliness, resistance to wear, and
low maintenance charges.

Freight Cars.

Rubber is not used to so great
an extent in freight cars as in pas-
senger coaches, yet there are many
points of application such as draw-
bar and buffer springs, auxiliary
suspension springs and brake gear,
which are accepted by some rail-
way engineers as entirely satisfac-
tory. In some instances rubber
draw-bar and buffer springs are
used in freight cars, particularly
on fast freight trains.

Brake gears are generally hand
operated and are not fitted with
rubber. Fast freight trains in
some cases have vacuum brake
systems and are then fitted with
rubber draw-bar and buffer gear.
Locomotives and tenders.
It will be appreciated that the
application of rubber in locomo-
tives is much less than in passen-
ger coaches, although one British
line uses 124 lb of rubber goods on
every express locomotive and
tender. The main points of ap-
plication are draw-bar gear; buffer
gear; auxiliary bearing springs;
braking system; heating system;
gauge glass packings; jointings;
drivers' platform springs; coal
washing hose.

Many locomotive engineers in
Great Britain are satisfied that
rubber cushions suitably disposed
at their spring ends are beneficial
as regards riding qualities, low
maintenance cost, and reduction of
track damage. There is still room,
however, for a very considerable
extension of such usage before it
applies to be bulk of locomotive
stock.

From a study of the above-men-
tioned applications it is apparent
that locomotive engineers who have
articulated the springs of driving
wheels, have been satisfied with
rubber cushions when fitted at only
two points of the spring linkage
system. Rubber is used below
each spring in designs which have
individually sprung axles and has
evidently given a satisfactory re-
sult with less mechanical compli-
cation. A combination of both
types—articulated and rubber

spring—would be well worth adop-
tion, and a suitable rubber unit
should be capable of standing up
even to American axle loads and
track conditions.

It has been found that when rub-
ber auxiliary bearing springs have
been fitted, the breakage of spring
hangers has been greatly reduced,
if not entirely eliminated. Drivers
prefer locomotives so fitted owing
to the reduction of vibration. The
reduction of damage to permanent
way due to the softening of the
blow on rail ends must be appre-
ciable, although it is difficult to
prove.

Many British railways now pro-
vide auxiliary rubber springs on
their locomotive bogies. In some
cases they are arranged at the bot-
tom anchorage of the spring
hangers where equaliser beams
are used. The application of rub-
ber pads at the base and top of
helical springs which take the load
from a spring beam has been adopt-
ed by more than one British
system. Forty rubber bearing
spring pads are used on each Great
Western Railway bogie.

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Soup	牛尾	27	20 18
Steak	牛尾	38	24 23
Steak Sirloin	牛尾	40	30 35
Sausages	牛尾	36	20 20
Bullock's Brains	牛尾	per set 17	10 12
Tongue, fresh	牛尾	each 75	50 60
Tongue, corned	牛尾	—	60 —
Head	牛尾	\$1.20	— \$1.20
Heart	牛尾	1b. 24	18 14
Kidney	牛尾	—	20 18
Feet	牛尾	each 12	10 12
Kidneys	牛尾	15	10 12
Tail	牛尾	27	20 22
Liver	牛尾	1b. 24	18 14
Tripe	牛尾	8	6 7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛尾	set \$1.50	\$1.00 \$1.00
Mutton Chop	牛尾	1b. 44	28 —
Leg	牛尾	44	28 —
Shoulder	牛尾	40	24 —
Saddle	牛尾	44	—
Pigs' Chittlings	牛尾	30	27 —
Brains	牛尾	Per set 4	—
Feet	牛尾	1b. 17	15 —
Fry	牛尾	28	15 18
Head	牛尾	20	20 —
Heart	牛尾	each 18	10 10
Kidneys	牛尾	16	10 3
Liver	牛尾	1b. 60	30 24
Pork Chop	牛尾	38	25 28
Leg	牛尾	40	—
Loin	牛尾	44	60 70
Fat or Lard	牛尾	25	21 —
Sheep's Head & Feet	牛尾	per set 90	60 70
Heart	牛尾	each 12	8 7
Kidneys	牛尾	15	12 10
Liver	牛尾	45	24 25
Sucking Pigs, to order	牛尾	1b. 25	25 22
Such, Beef	牛尾	80	20 18
Mutton	牛尾	88	28 28
Veal	牛尾	22	20 20
Sausage	牛尾	23	—

Fish.

	1b.	48	16	24
Barbel	魚	32	20 16	
Bream	魚	32	—	
Canton Fresh Water	魚	32	—	
Carp	魚	34	13 16	
Catfish	魚	35	16 27	
Codfish	魚	36	12 9	
Crabs	魚	52	16 17	
Cuttle Fish	魚	26	23 26	
Dab	魚	26	16 27	
Dace	魚	48	23 16	
Dog Fish	魚	20	10 —	
Eel, Conger	魚	60	10 8	
Eel, Fresh Water	魚	60	16 —	
Yellow	魚	52	10 8	
Frog	魚	78	26 30	
Garoupa	魚	90	32 25	
Gudgeon	魚	24	40 30	
Herrings	魚	32	22 18	
Halibut	魚	36	18 23	
Labrus	魚	28	18 15	
Loach	魚	72	22 13	
Lobsters	魚	76	62 24	
Mackerel	魚	44	32 21	
Mok Fish	魚	45	20 20	
Mullet	魚	38	18 2	
Oysters	魚	40	12 2	
Pearl Fish	魚	24	14 9	
Porch	魚	26	30 15	
Pike	魚	42	16 9	
Plaice	魚	52	36 29	
Pomfret, White	魚	56	36 30	
Pomfret, Black	魚	40	38 45	
Prawns	魚	65	10 14	
Ray	魚	25	10 14	
Rock Fish	魚	25	18 18	
Roach	魚	34	22 10	
Salmon	魚	56	38 30	
Shark	魚	20	8 10	
Skate	魚	20	10 10	
Shrimps	魚	48	33 30	
Snapper	魚	48	28 28	
Sole	魚	38	22 28	
Tench	魚	38	26 85	
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Eggs, Hen (fresh)	蛋	40	25	20
Fowls, Canton	雞	1b. 72	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	雞	56	35	24
Geese	鴨	45	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	鴿	each 50	80	—
" Hothow	鴿	40	29	—
Turkeys, Cock	雞	1b. 35	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	雞	75	61	45
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Mr. Wenceslao Tobias—3rd alto saxophone, Baritone, clarinet and violin.
Mr. Santos Mendez—Trumpet and guitar player.
Mr. Bernardo Guerra—2nd Trumpet and singer.
Mr. Moises Espinoza—Trombone and Tenor saxophone.
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NEWS TABLOIDS AND OVERNIGHT CABLES SUMMARISED.

Moratorium for Hungary.

From to-day a partial moratorium
of public and private debts becomes
effective.

Germany's Financial Condition.

Britain and France are at logger-
heads over Germany's conditional
and unconditional debts. It ap-
pears, however, that some recon-
ciliation of divergent views has re-
sulted; and the Young Plan's Ad-
visory Committee is expected to
make proposals with a view to
giving Germany ample time within
which to pay.

Reparations Conference.

Is expected to meet about the
middle of January.

Limit Merchant Fleets.

The French Minister of the Mer-
cantile Marine advocates an inter-
national conference to limit the
size of merchant fleets.

De France and Giant Cunarder.

It is possible that construction
work on the French giant liner will
be suspended, provided that it is
definitely known that the Cunard
Company will not proceed with
work on its proposed mammoth
liner.

Sino-Japanese Notes.

The League Secretariat has re-
ceived notes from the two Govern-
ments. The Chinese note accuses
Japan of proceeding apace with
militaristic policy in Manchuria;
while the Japanese note accuses
China of fostering anti-Japanese
agitation.

U.S. Disarmament Delegation.

General Dawes has been appoint-
ed to lead the Delegation, which, it
is expected, will include a woman
member.

Indian Globe Cyclist.

Mr. R. N. Biwasa, who set out
from Singapore on July 7 in an at-
tempt to cycle round the world, ar-
rived last night here.

JUDICIAL APPEAL.

Judgment of the Full Court with
regard to a preliminary objection
raised by the respondents against
a motion seeking to appeal against
the Puisne Judge's judgment in an
action in Summary Jurisdiction,
was given in the Supreme Court
this morning.

The party seeking to appeal,
who was defendant in the original
action, was Ip Tuen, of Tai Shing
& Co., 147, Poho Street, Shamshui-
po, and the respondents (original
plaintiffs) were the Wong Kwai
Kee firm, of 111, Yu Chas Street,
Shamshui-po.

The appellant was represented
by Mr. Richard C. H. Lim (in-
structed by Mr. P. H. Sin), while
the respondents were represented
by Mr. Leo d'Almeida, jun. (in-
structed by Mr. M. A. da Silva).

The action heard by the Puisne
Judge in the Summary Court was a
claim for \$925 for goods sold
and delivered and materials sup-
plied, and costs of the action.

After several hearings, on Novem-
ber 23, his Lordship entered judg-
ment for the plaintiffs (now re-
spondents) with costs.

Reading the Full Court's deci-
sion this morning, the Puisne
Judge said in part:—

This motion is a combination of
two applications on behalf of the
appellant under section 94 of the
Summary Jurisdiction Ordinance
No. 4 of 1873.

(1) for an enlargement of the
period of 7 days within which
this Court should normally
have been moved for leave to
appeal against the judgment
of the Puisne Judge in Sum-
mary Jurisdiction. Action No.
1062 of 1931 given on Novem-
ber 23 last, and

(2) if such enlargement is grant-
ed, for leave to appeal against
that judgment.

We hold that appellant did not
give the respondents reasonable
notice, and hence the preliminary
objection raised on respondents'
behalf must succeed.

Hoover Moratorium Bill.

The Senate has rejected the
amendment which called for a re-
vision of the Treaty of Versailles
as conditional of a debt holiday.

A later cable says that the
Senate has ratified the Bill. The
voicing was 69 to 12. The House
of Representatives' provision banning
revision or cancellation of war-
debts was accepted without discus-
sion.

Shamrock V.

Has been bought by Mr. T. O. M.
Sopwith. He intends to race her in
British waters next year.

Unemployment Figures.

Total of unemployed on the regis-
ter is now 2,572,602.

Motor Speed Records.

Captain Graydon, yesterday, set
up four international motor speed
records in a British car, M. G.

It is reported that Lord Howe in-
tends to enter 3 M. G. Magna cars
for the Italian Mille Miglia Race
next April, and that the driving
team will comprise Lord Howe, Sir
Henry Birkin, and Captain Gray-
don.

Ancient Egyptian Palace Unearthed.

The Egypt Exploration Society
has come upon, in the course of ex-
cavation work at Telebrama, a
3,000-year-old Royal Palace.

Christmas Air Mails.

Tremendous efforts are being
made to convey by air to London
Christmas Mails from various parts
of the Empire so that they may
arrive and be delivered before
Christmas Day. Some remarkable
flying achievements are being re-
corded.

Chiang Kai-shek.

The National Government has re-
signed en bloc, and the Marshal,
"owing to pressure from certain
quarters," secretly left Nanking in
his private plane for Fenghua,
Chekiang, where he proposes to
live on his farm the carefree life
of a private individual. He is said
to have renounced politics.

The Marshal arrived by air at
Ningpo yesterday afternoon and im-
mediately left for his farm by
motor-car. His wife and family
accompany him.

ANCIENT ROYAL PALACE UNEARTHED.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

Cairo, Yesterday.
A three thousand-year-old
Royal Palace, probably the resi-
dence of Queen Nefretas after
her fall from power, has been
discovered by the Egypt Explora-
tion Society excavating at Tele-
brama.

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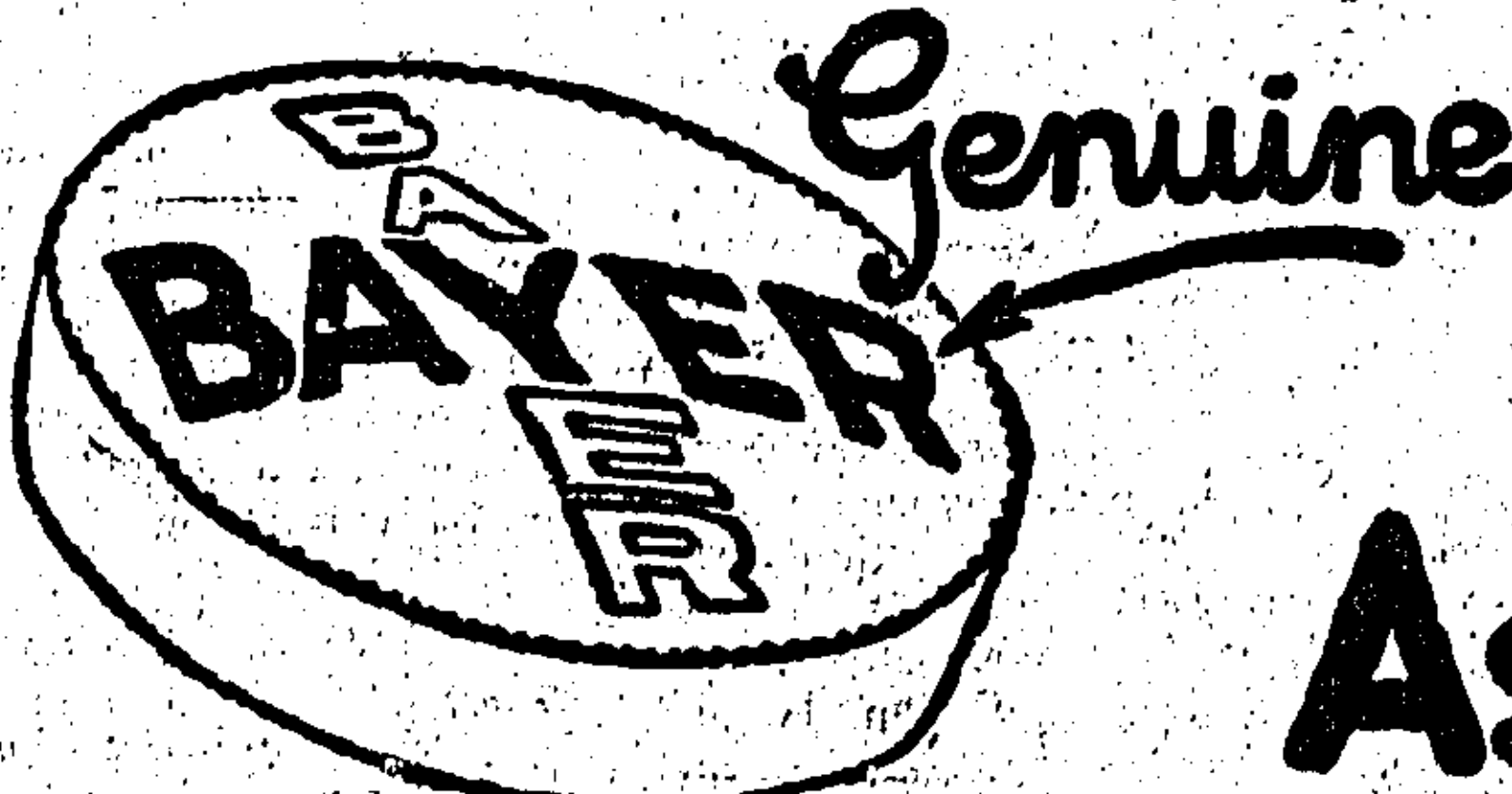
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